

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SPACE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7333
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GRAMSAT NETWORK
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a countrywide satellite based GRAMSAT Network for developmental applications is proposed to be set up; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTRY OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. GRAMSAT networks are being set up in the States of Karnataka, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and Andhra Pradesh for the purposes of education, training and development communication. Similar networks are also planned for North-Eastern region, West Bengal, Rajasthan, etc.